Well Charlotte Catholic as you may know, it’s spring! And you all know what that means…it’s time for prom! And what better way to kick off prom season than with a prom fashion show?

The Casino Royal Prom fashion show was held at Charlotte Catholic on March 29in the gym. Proceeds went to a foundation affiliated with the Levine Children’s hospital known as the Sandbox, is a local group that helps families and individuals facing financial, health and emotional woes. Along with helping families, every year the group puts on a prom for patients at the Levine Children’s hospital.

Over $900 was made from the fashion show and $450 was donated to the Sandbox. Along with raising money, students also collected second hand prom dresses and shoes before spring break for this cause.

With the help of Mrs. Zito and a group of student organizers, around 45 models were able to strut their stuff in fabulous gowns and tuxes. The turnout was outstanding with almost every chair filled with the family and friends of all the models.

“Almost immediately after the show, pictures of the dresses flooded Facebook. It made me wish I could go to prom as a sophomore! I could definitely see myself walking in the show next year,” said sophomore Michelle Ashlin.

The prom fashion show committee contacted local boutiques and stores that wanted to participate and display their prom attire.

Dresses were featured from places such as Pink Hanger, Petal, Reign, and David’s Bridal while tuxedos were borrowed from Men’s Warehouse. Some of the stores even advertised or set up stations at the show.

The committee spent the entire day setting up and preparing for the event, and the models, including Annalise Burrnett, Austin Jones, Patrick O’Brian, Molly Finegan, Sydney Antolini, and Jamie Vezolles, were fitted in their dresses and tuxes during the school week.

“I think everything went very smoothly during the show! The only mishap that really occurred was when I was about to walk onto the runway, I accidentally stepped on the bottom of my dress and it got caught so I had to quickly fix it while I was walking!” said senior model Annalise Burrnett.

Other models had different experiences, for instance, Natalie Myrick was asked to prom by Patrick O’Brian in the grand finale. Several couples were given the chance to model together in the show featuring a distinct style.

“Jamie and I walked down the runway wearing all black with no music or lights, it was very bold and intense,” said senior model Austin Jones.

Overall, both the models and the spectators had a great time at the Casino Royal fashion show. Many can agree that the show was definitely the perfect thing to put them in the spirit for prom.